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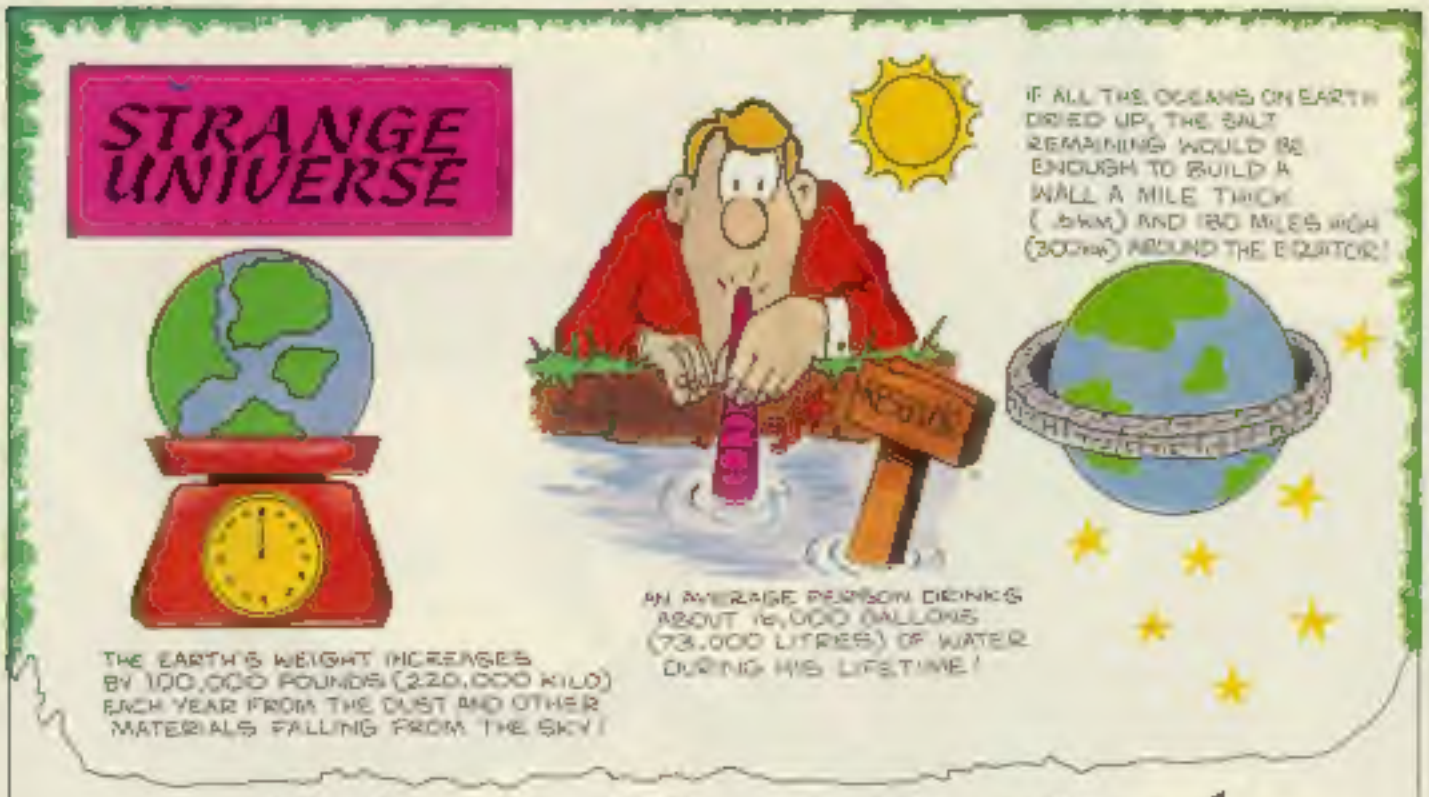
HORDAK
THE PUPPET MASTER


STRANGE UNIVERSE
IF ALL THE OCEANS ON EARTH DRIED UP, THE SALT REMAINING WOULD BE ENOUGH TO BUILD A WALL A MILE THICK (1.6KM) AND 180 MILES HIGH (300KM) AROUND THE EQUATOR!
THE EARTH'S WEIGHT INCREASES BY 100,000 POUNDS (220,000 KILO) EACH YEAR FROM THE DUST AND OTHER MATERIALS FALLING FROM THE SKY!
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Welcome, Young Warriors!

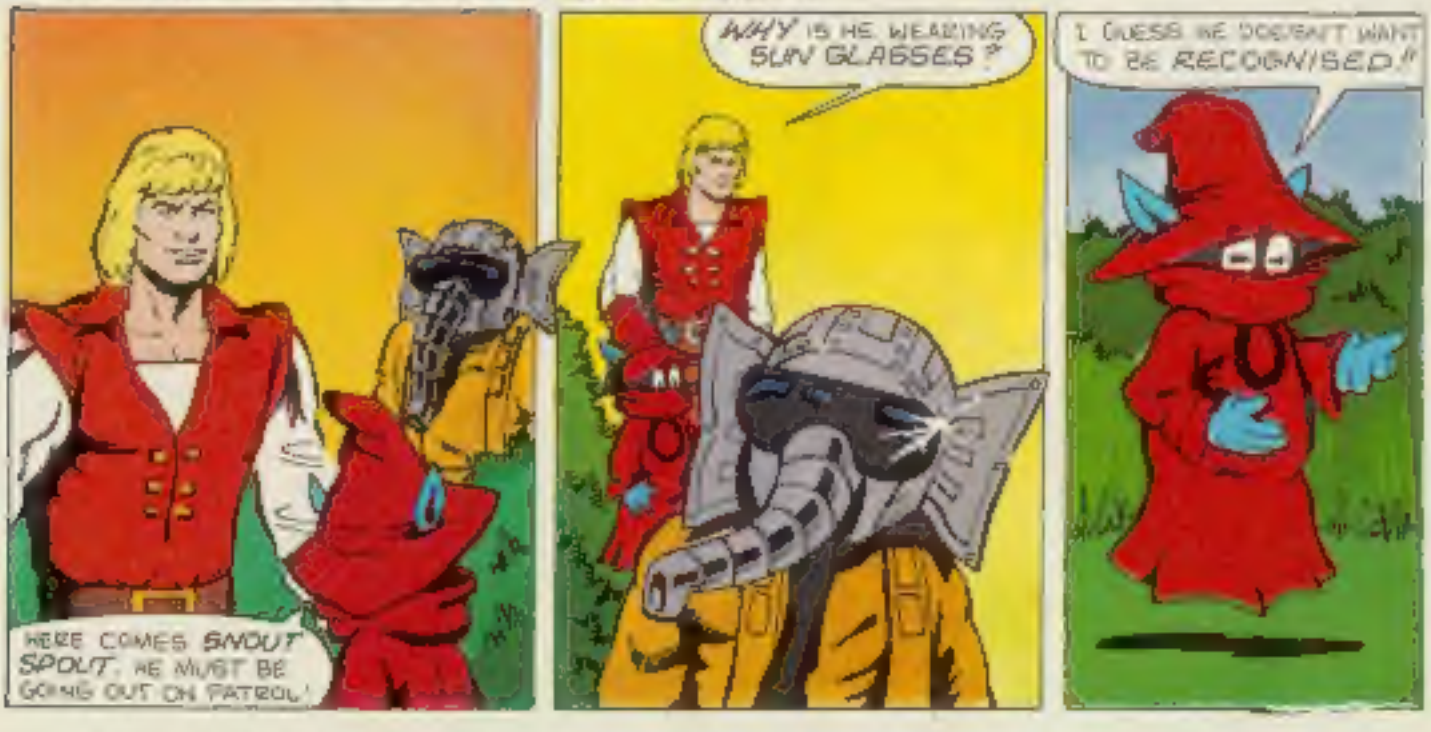
As you can tell by our cosmic cover, this is a very unusual issue of MOTU! I'm sure you will be knocked off your seat with pure excitement when you read the thrilling story of when Hordak became the PUPPET MASTER!

The next issue is our cosmic Christmas extravaganza and like last year I have an extra-special Xmas tale lined up just for YOU!

BE BRAVE,

Scrollos

ORKO THE MAGICIAN



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MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE
THE PUPPET MASTER!
ORKO AND CRINGER ARE RETURNING TO THE ROYAL PALACE AFTER A PLEASANT STROLL IN THE ROYAL WOOD ....
I ENJOYED THAT AFTERNOON WALK...OR SHOULD I SAY FLOAT!
IT'S GOOD TO GET OUT OF THE ROYAL PALACE FOR A WHILE. THE ROYAL WOOD IS SO CALM AND PEACEFUL AT THIS TIME OF YEAR, THAT I KNOW NOTHING CAN GO...
WRONG!
RUN! WE HAD BETTER HIGH-TAIL IT OUT OF HERE!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME TWICE, ORKO! I'M GOING! I'M GOING!
IT'S TOO LATE! OLD METAL-FEATURES HAS SPOTTED US!
YIKES!
AS THE DUO RACE AWAY FROM THE LASER-BLASTING TROOPER...
DEAD-END! WE'RE TRAPPED!
ULP!... AND THE TROOPER IS ONLY A FEW METRES BEHIND US! WHAT CAN WE DO?

I'LL CAST A SPELL TO HIDE US IN A RUSH!
BUT YOUR SPELLS ALWAYS GET...
MIXED UP!!...
OH-OH! INSTEAD OF A SPELL IN A RUSH I'VE CREATED A BUSH! NOW WE'RE IN FOR IT!
PHEW!
THE HEROIC COMPANIONS ARE GONE! I MUST EXPLORE THE AREA FOR ANY CLUES.
LULP! THE TROOPER HASN'T BEEN FOOLED! IT'S COMING TOWARDS US!
NOW WE'RE DONE FOR!

MY SENSORS CAN'T DETECT WHERE THE COMPANIONS ARE... BUT THEY HAVE FOUND SOMETHING ELSE!
THIS BUSH APPEARS TO HAVE A STRANGE, MAGICAL PROPERTY. I'LL COLLECT A SAMPLE FOR HORDAK TO ANALYSE.
OH-OH! IT MUST HAVE SENSED THE MAGIC I USED TO CREATE THIS BUSH!
HE- IT'S GONE AWAY! PHEW!
YES... BUT I WONDER, WHAT HORDAK WILL BE ABLE TO DO WITH THE TWIG THAT TROOPER IS HOLDING?
WE'LL WAIT UNTIL THE TROOPER IS WELL OUT OF SIGHT!
THEN WE'LL GET OUT OF THIS PLACE AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN!
COME ON, ORKO. LET'S GET BACK TO THE ROYAL PALACE BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE HAPPENS!
WE CAN'T DO THAT, CRINGER! WE MUST GO TO CASTLE GRAYSKULL AND WATCH HE-MAN. I KNOW THAT HE HAS GONE THERE TO CHECK OUT THE PHOTON-CANNONS.
FOLLOW ME, CRINGER, YOU CAN'T BE A SCAREDY-CAT ALL OF YOUR LIFE!
OH, DEAR! WHY DO I GET INVOLVED IN THESE FRIGHTFUL ADVENTURES?!

NOT MUCH LATER, AS THE TROOPER REPORTS TO MORDUK IN THE FRIGHT ZONE...
... AND I WAS ABLE TO GAIN THIS SAMPLE FOR YOU, MASTER.
EXCELLENT! I'LL PLACE IT IN MY OMNI-SPECTRA-ANALYSIS MACHINE AND FIND OUT WHAT IT WAS DOING IN THE ROYAL WOOD. IT MIGHT BE A NEW POWER SOURCE THAT THE HEROIC WARRIORS ARE USING.
BAH! MY MACHINE TELLS ME THAT THOSE 'BUSHES' WERE CREATED BY THE HEROIC COMPANIONS! THEY MUST HAVE BEEN HIDING BEHIND THEM! YOU HAVE FAILED ME, TROOPER THX1138!
THEREFORE YOU ARE OF NO FURTHER USE TO ME!
KA-LAAM!
HMMM. ON SECOND THOUGHTS PERHAPS YOU HAVE DONE A GOOD JOB FOR ME! MY MACHINE ALSO TELLS ME THAT I CAN DUPLICATE THE MAGICAL BASE OF THIS SAMPLE. ONCE I DO THAT I WILL HAVE A VERY SPECIAL WEAPON!
MODULOK, REMOVE THE TROOPER AND RETURN ITS WORKING UNITS TO MY STORE-HOUSE!
YES, MASTER!
I WANT NO ONE TO DISTURB ME. I HAVE WORK TO DO!
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THE NEXT DAY...
EVER SINCE YOU TOLD US ABOUT THE HORDE TROOPER WE HAVE BEEN MAKING EXTRA PATROLS BUT SO FAR WE HAVE FOUND NOTHING!
CRINGER IS STILL TOO NERVOUS TO COME ON PATROL WITH US BUT I THINK HE'LL BE SAFE GUARDING CASTLE GRAYSKULL!
YES, ESPECIALLY WITH THE SORCERESS THERE TO LOOK AFTER HIM! WAIT A SECOND WHERE IS THAT SMOKE COMING FROM?
MOMENTS LATER...
IT'S AN OLD CART!... BUT WHO WOULD SET IT ON FIRE AND THEN RUN AWAY?
IF IT WAS PLANNED TO ATTRACT US TO THIS SPOT THEN I CAN EASILY THINK OF AT LEAST THREE PEOPLE!
HISS, SKELETOR OR HORDAK!... BUT WHICH ONE?
DEFEND YOURSELVES! THE ANSWER IS ABOUT TO CRAWL OUT OF THE GROUND!
HOW DARE YOU MENTION MY NAME IN THE SAME BREATH AS THOSE CRETINS!
...BUT IT WILL BE THE LAST THING YOU EVER SAY!
MY NEW WEAPON USES THE SAMPLE FOUND BY MY HORDE TROOPER, ALTERED BY MY GREAT SCIENTIFIC GENIUS!
YOU ARE BEING TRANSFORMED INTO HELPLESS WOODEN PUPPETS...
...AND I WILL BE YOUR PUPPET MASTER!

PART TWO OF THIS EXCITING STORY BEGINS ON THE PAGE AFTER NEXT! SCROLLOS.

Master Mail

Dear Scrollos,
I would like to know if Kobra Khan is on the side of Skeletor or King Hiss. In MOTU 23 he is on Skeletor's side but in MOTU 30 he is on the side of King Hiss!

RAPHAEL ASTERN, London.

Guess who missed MOTU 27, Raphael! In issue 27 it was explained that Khan is working as a spy for Skeletor and is pretending to work for Hiss... or so Skeletor thinks! Khan is really working for only one person... HIMSELF!

Dear Scrollos,
Do you know how some people are afraid of the dark? (I'm one of them!) Anyway, I have a sticker of He-Man that glows in the dark and I keep it on my wardrobe door and it makes me brave.

JARIK SANDER, Reading.

I'm happy to learn that He-Man's sticker is giving you extra courage, Jarik. Facing things that scare us is the best way of becoming a Heroic Warrior!

Dear Scrollos,
What happens on Eternia when it is Christmas? Do they celebrate Christmas the way people on Earth do?

CAROL BEATTIE, Manchester.

Your letter is very well timed, Carol. In the very next issue of MOTU you will see exactly what does happen on Eternia while we are celebrating Christmas on Earth!

Dear Scrollos,
How did Fisto come across his iron fist?

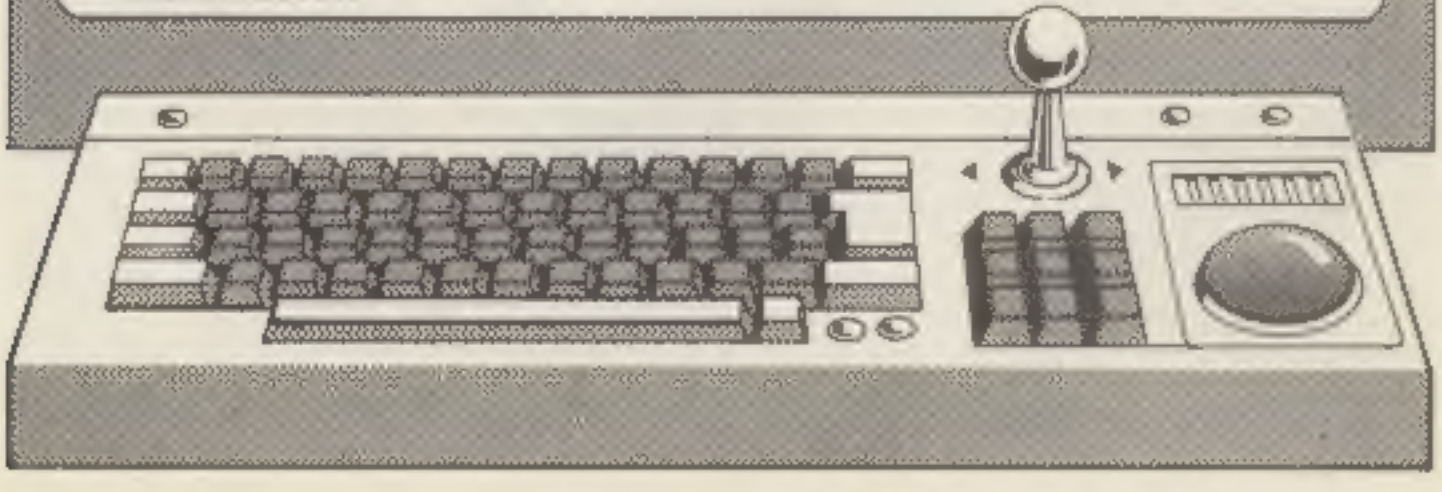
STUART GILLESPIE, Stirlingshire.

That's a 'handy' question, Stu! The story behind Fisto's marvellous metal fist will be told in a forthcoming SECRET FILES OF SCROLLOS.

Dear Scrollos,
How can Hordak change the shape of his arm? Also, I would really like to see She-Ra in future MOTU stories.

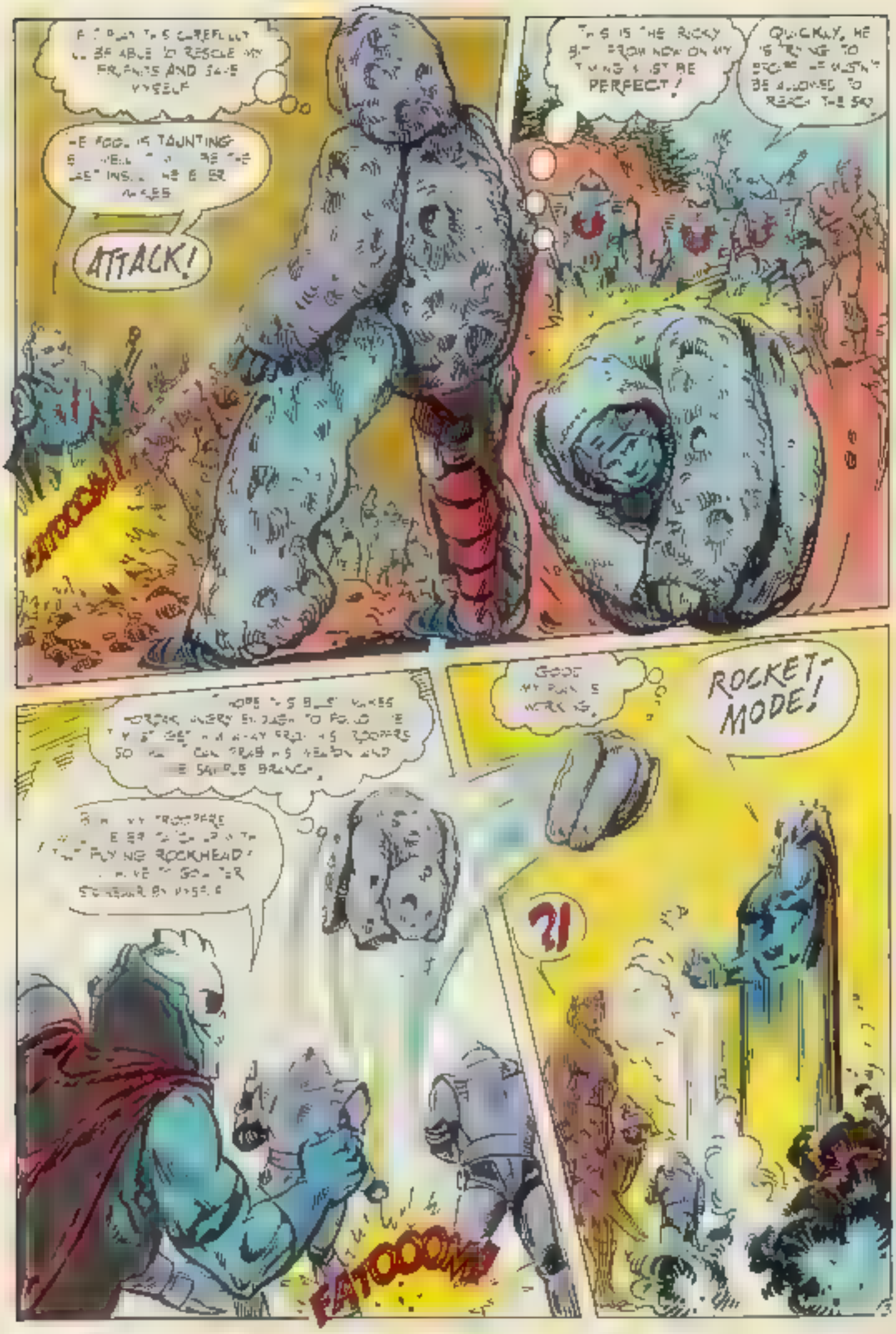
DANIEL STEVENSON, Clwyd.

Thank you for writing, Dan. Hordak is a very special alien being who has the power to transform his body into any shape he wants! At one time he was not able to transform his body while on Eternia but now that he has been able to practise his powers he can change all or part of his body at will!



MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE
THE PUPPET MASTER PART TWO
HORDAK HAS USED A TWIG FROM A MAGIC BUSH TO BUILD A STRANGE NEW WEAPON WHICH HAS TRANSFORMED SOME OF THE HEROIC WARRIORS INTO WOODEN PUPPETS!
AS LONG AS I HAVE THE SIMPLE TWIG I AM LINKED TO ITS ENCHANTED SOURCE AND THE HEROIC WARRIORS WILL REMAIN AS MY PUPPETS!
HUH! HORDAK'S WEAPON HAS WORKED AGAINST HE-MAN AND ORKO. BUT SO FAR, I AM UNAFFECTED!
WHAT?! MY WEAPON HAS FAILED TO WORK ON ONE OF THE WARRIORS! WELL THAT'S A PITY... FOR HIM!
INSTEAD OF BEING MY SLAVE HE WILL BE DESTROYED!
O--OH! IT SOUNDS LIKE IT IS TIME FOR ME TO HIGHT TAIL IT OUT OF HERE! I MUST WARN THE OTHER WARRIORS ABOUT THIS WEAPON!
DESTROY STONEDAR!
IT WOULD BE FOOLISH TO TRY AND BATTLE MY WAY OUT OF THIS TRAP...
SO IT'S TIME FOR ROCK AND ROLL!
BAH! STONEDAR IS ESCAPING! WHAT'S WRONG WITH HE-MAN AND ORKO? ARE THEY ABLE TO WITHSTAND MY COMMANDS?

IF I MOVE FAST ENOUGH I SHOULD BE ABLE TO BUST OUT OF HERE BEFORE HORDAK CAN ORGANISE HIS FORCES!
YOU MUST OBEY ME, HE-MAN! YOU ARE MY PUPPET! USE YOUR SWORD TO DEFEAT STONEDAR!
YES MASTER!
MY...SWORD... SEEMS...TO...BE... DAMAGED... MASTER.
YOUR SWORD? OF COURSE! THE SWORD OF POWER REQUIRES HE-MAN'S SPECIAL ABILITIES IN ORDER TO WORK CORRECTLY. THAT IS WHY I HAVE NEVER TRIED TO STEAL THE SWORD. IT WOULD BE WORTHLESS TO ME!
SINCE I HAVE TRANSFORMED YOU INTO WOOD YOU ARE NOW UNABLE TO USE YOUR SWORD! THE SAME REASONING WOULD ALSO EXPLAIN WHY ORKO'S POWER IS WEAKENED!
NOW THAT I AM AT A SAFE DISTANCE I CAN RETURN FIRE! I JUST HOPE THAT HORDAK TAKES THE BAIT!
FOLLOW HIM, MY TROOPERS! HE MUST NOT HARM THE OTHER WARRIORS! HE-MAN AND ORKO, USE WHATEVER POWERS YOU HAVE TO STOP HIM!
YES... MASTER!
WHAT???
FATOOOM!


I'LL PLAN THIS CAREFULLY
I'LL BE ABLE TO RESCUE MY
FRIENDS AND SAVE
MYSELF
THE FOOL IS TAUNTING
ME! I'LL BE THE
LAST INSECT HE EVER
INSULTS
ATTACK!
KATOOOM!
THIS IS THE ROCKY
ROAD FROM NOW ON! MY
TIMING MUST BE
PERFECT!
QUICKLY, HE
IS TRYING TO
ESCAPE! HE MUSN'T
BE ALLOWED TO
REACH THE SKY
GOOD!
MY PLAN IS
WORKING.
ROCKET
MODE!
?!
KATOOOM!

FOR ETERNIA!
KRUNCH!
VAROOOM!
SNATCH!
BY THE DARK POWERS YOU MUST NOT ESCAPE
YOU'RE TOO LATE SIRE I'VE ALREADY ESCAPED
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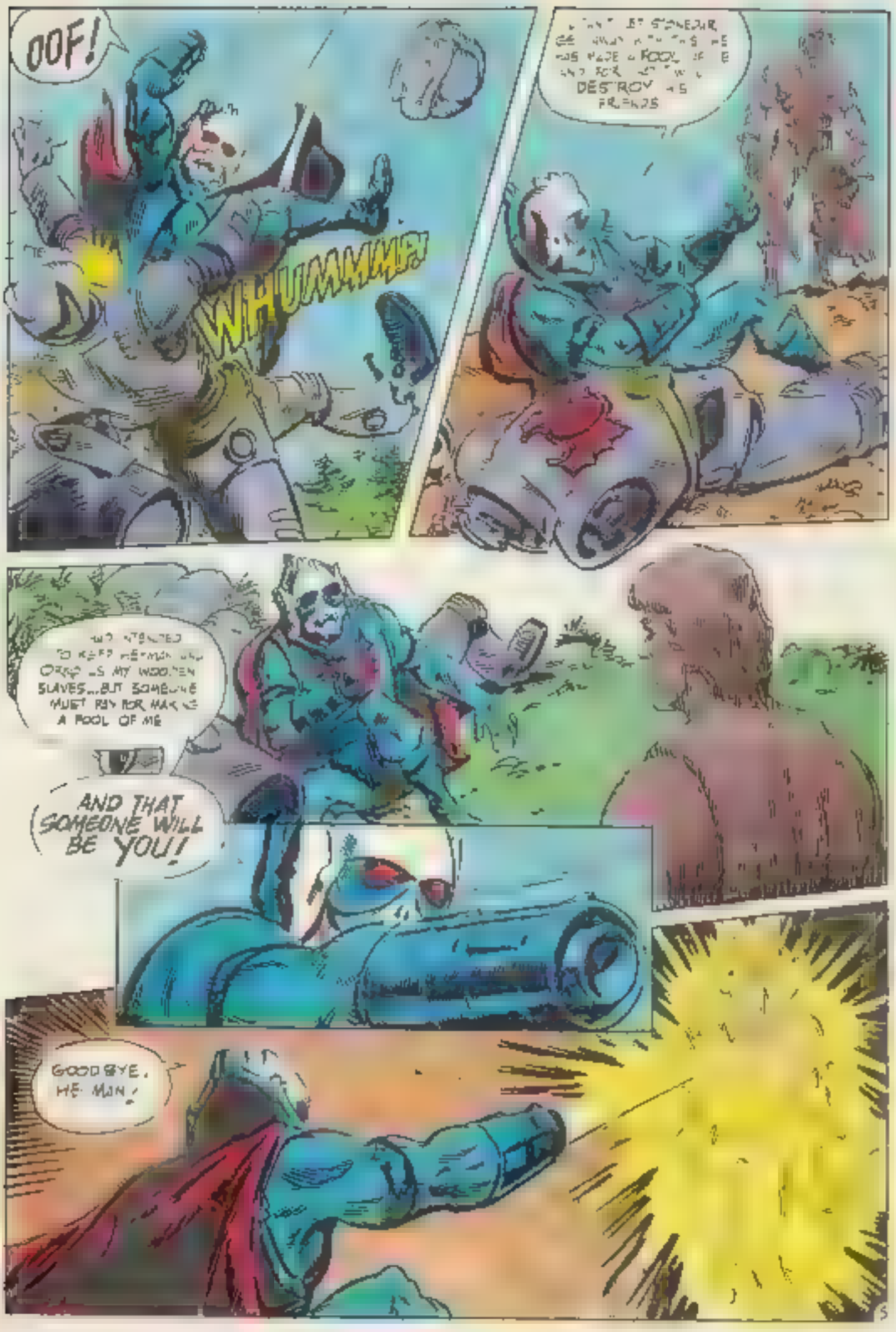
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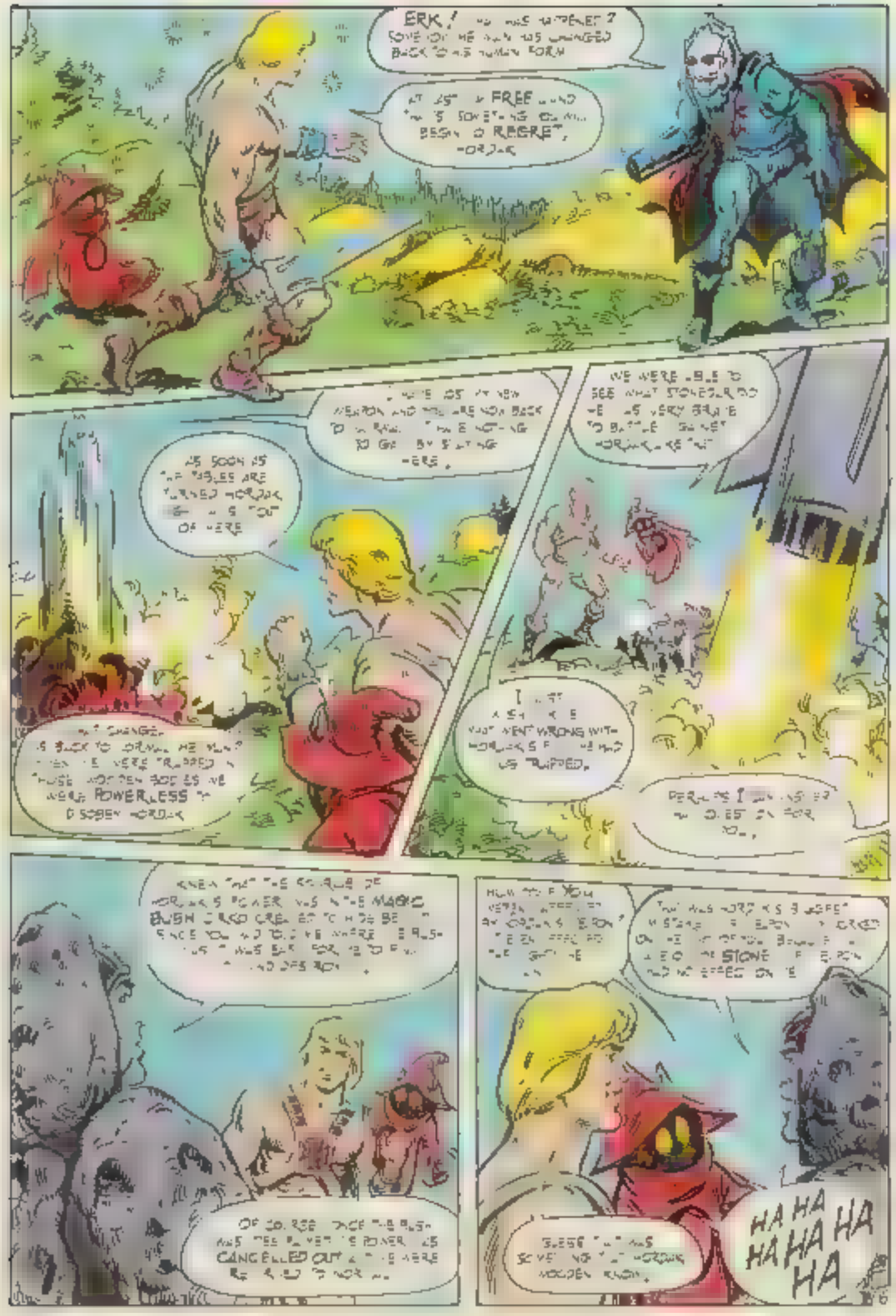
WHUMMMM
DESTROY HIS FRIENDS
AND THAT SOMEONE WILL BE YOU!
GOODBYE, HE-MAN!


ERK! WHAT HAPPENED? SOMEONE HAS CHANGED BACK TO HIS HUMAN FORM
AT LAST A FREE HAND THIS SOMETHING CALLED REGRET, HORJAK
AS SOON AS THE PEBBLES ARE TURNED HORJAK IS OUT OF HERE
I GUESS AS LONG AS HORJAK AND THE ARE NOW BACK TO NORMAL THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GO BY BEATING HERE.
WE WERE ABLE TO SEE WHAT STONESLAYER DID HE WAS VERY BRAVE TO BATTLE SO MUCH HORJAK LIKE THAT
THE CHANGER IS BACK TO NORMAL HE WAS TRAPPED IN THOSE HORRIBLE ROCKS WE WERE POWERLESS TO DISOBEY HORJAK
I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT WENT WRONG WITH HORJAK'S PLAN HE WAS SO STUPID.
PERHAPS I CAN OFFER YOU...
EVEN THAT THE SCEPTRE OF HORJAK'S POWER WAS MADE BUSH CRED CREATURE BE FORCE YOU TO DO HERE BUSH WAS BACK FOR TO FIND AND DESTROY
OF COURSE ONCE THE BUSH HAS TRAPPED THE POWER AS CANCELLED OUT AND WE WERE READY TO WORK
HOW DO YOU KNOW HORJAK'S PLAN?
THAT WAS HORJAK'S VOICE WHEN BUSH CRED STOLE THE STONE FROM HORJAK
GUESS THAT WAS SOME KIND OF HORJAK MAGIC
HA HA HA HA HA HA

100 PRIZES

HE-MAN

AND THE QUEST FOR TELL-A-TALE

got your entries in before

A TRAP FOR HE MAN

THE IRON MASTER

CASTLE GRAYSKULL UNDER ATTACK

THE WINGS OF DOOM

SKELETOR'S ICE ATTACK

HE-MAN MEETS THE BEAST

HE-MAN & THE ASTEROID OF DOOM

HE MAN & THE LOST DRAGON

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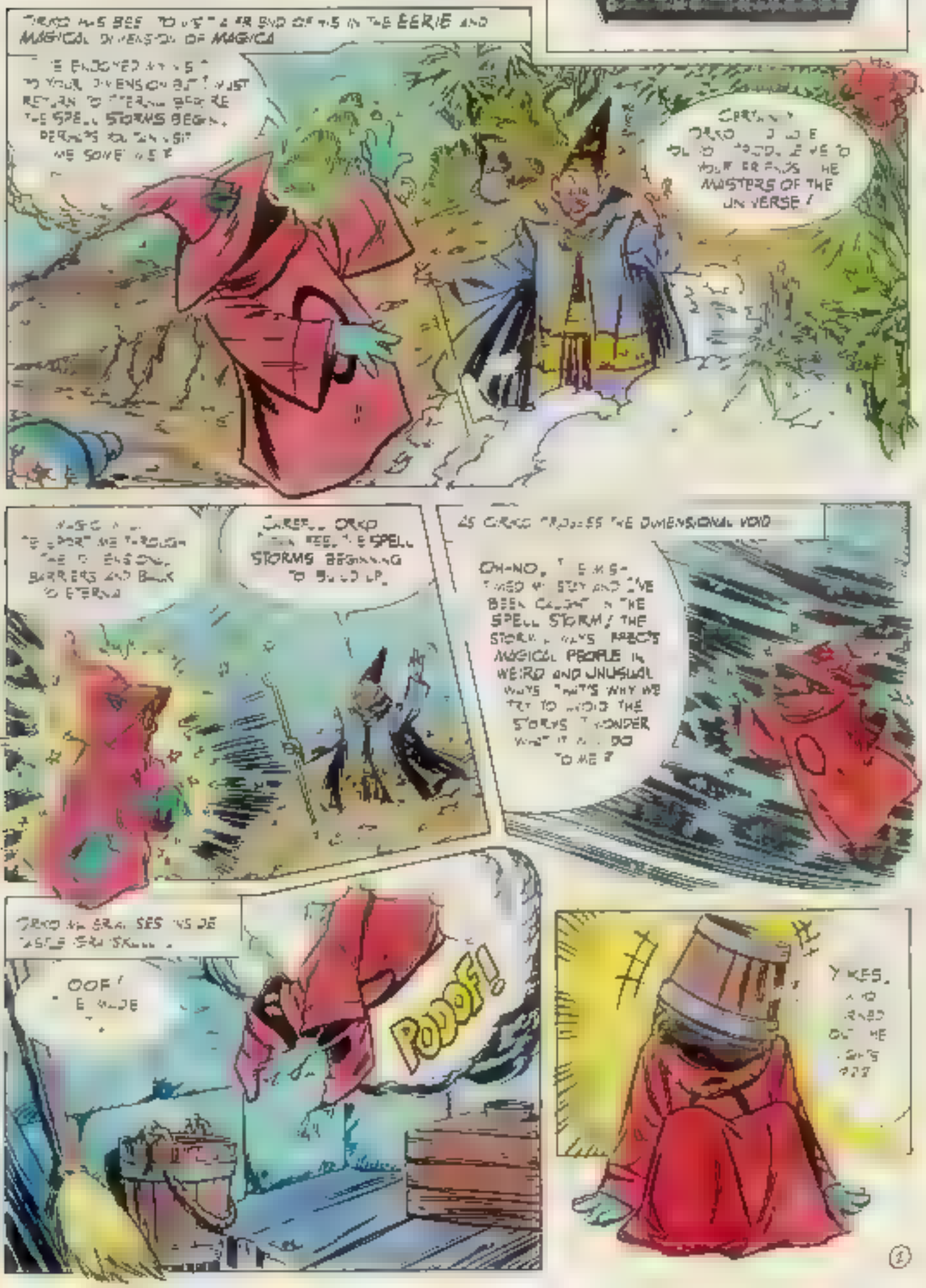
ORKO HAS BEEN TRAPPED FOR END OF TIME IN THE EERIE AND MAGICAL DIMENSION OF MAGICA
I'VE ENJOYED MY STAY IN YOUR DIMENSION BUT I MUST RETURN TO ETERNIA BEFORE THE SPELL STORMS BEGIN. PERHAPS YOU CAN VISIT ME SOME DAY?
CERTAINLY ORKO I DO HOPE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO HELP DEFEND THE MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE!
MAGICA HAS "DISPERSED" HIM THROUGH THE DIMENSIONAL BARRIERS AND BACK TO ETERNIA
CAREFUL ORKO I CAN FEEL THE SPELL STORMS BEGINNING TO BUILD UP.
AS ORKO PROCESSES THE DIMENSIONAL VOID
OH-NO, I KNEW I SHOULD'VE STAYED AND I'VE BEEN CAUGHT IN THE SPELL STORM! THE STORMS ALWAYS AFFECTS MAGICAL PEOPLE IN WEIRD AND UNUSUAL WAYS THAT'S WHY WE TRY TO AVOID THE STORMS I WONDER WHAT IT WILL DO TO ME?
ORKO HAS BEEN INSIDE CASTLE GRAYSKULL
OOF! I LANDED
POOF!
YIKES, I LANDED OUT THE CASTLE'S ATTIC
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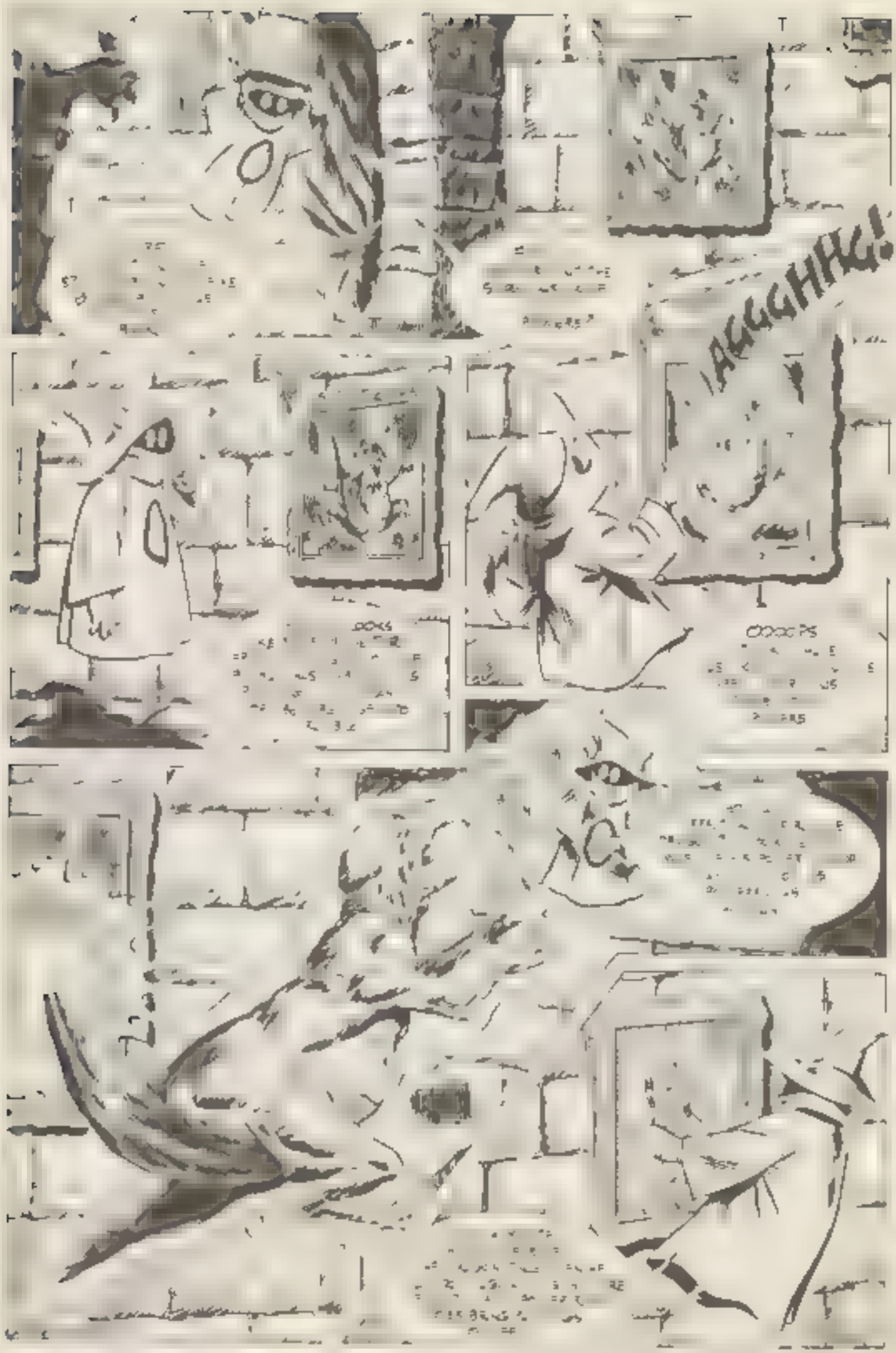
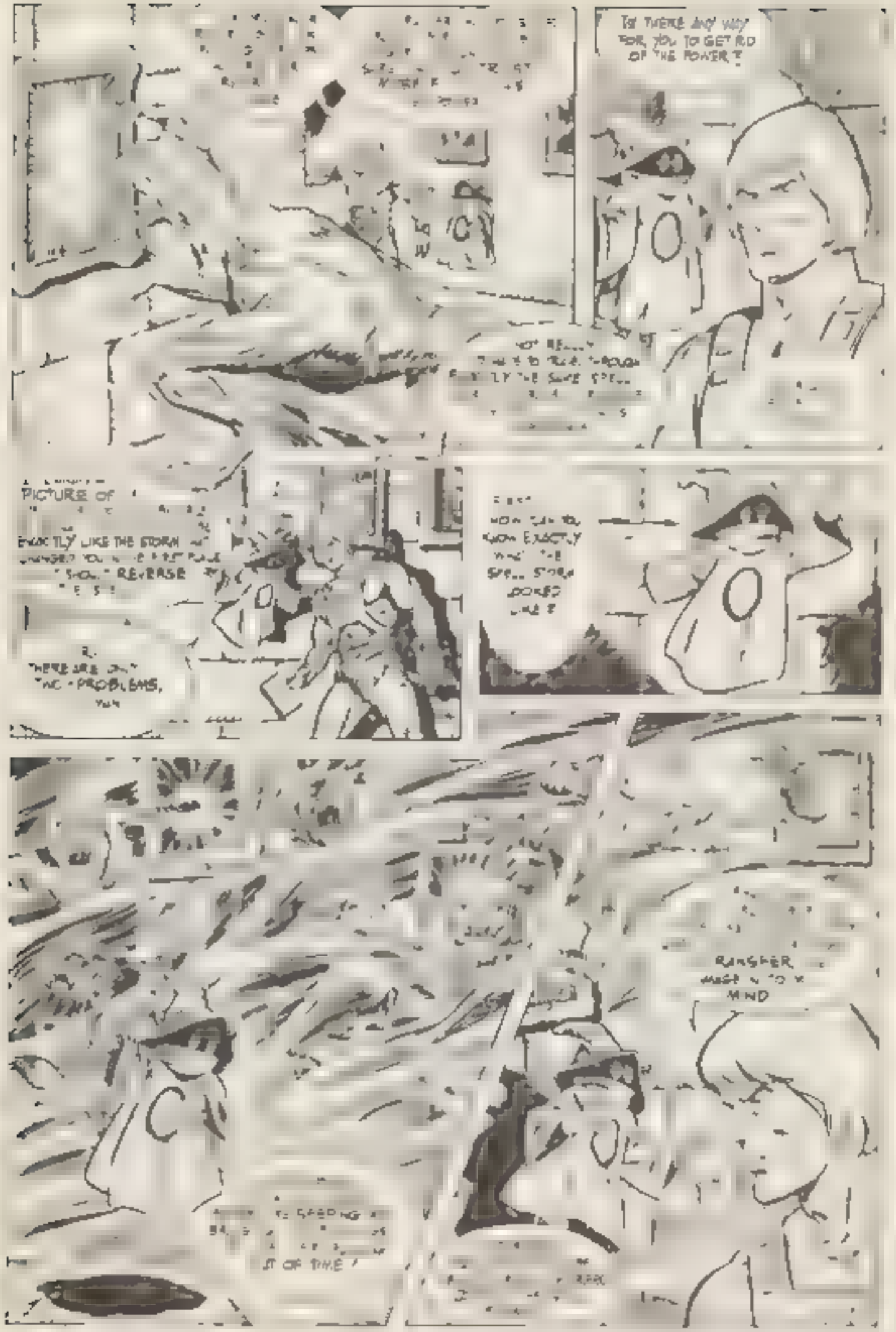

AGGGHHG!

HE MAN! SEE OUR STRENGTH COMBINED BEFORE THE DRAGON BEFORE IT DESTROYS CASTLE GRAYSKULL
YYYES MY POWER IS WORKING THIS NEW HE MAN WILL DEFEAT THE DRAGON NOW.
REAL HE MAN REAL DRAGON!
ASSH!!


IS THERE ANY WAY FOR YOU TO GET RID OF THE POWER?
PICTURE OF
EXACTLY LIKE THE STORM
REVERSE
THERE ARE ONLY TWO PROBLEMS, YUN
HOW CAN YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THE SPELL STORM LOOKED LIKE?
RANGER MAKE UP TO MIND
IT OR TIME!

ULP, HE
I CAN FEEL THE SPELL BEGINNING TO WORK. THE SPELL STORM MUST HAVE INCREASED ALL MY MAGIC POWERS
I CAN ALREADY SEE FAINT IMAGES OF WHAT THE SPELL STORM LOOKED
I CAN NOW SEE EXACTLY WHAT
G-G GOOD. THE PAINTINGS ARE GETTING RESTLESS!
HELP, SO

FINISHED!
AMAZING! BEAUTIFUL! CHAMPION!
ARE YOU GOING TO WORK YOUR WAY THROUGH THE ENTIRE ALPHABET, OR ARE YOU GOING TO TOUCH THE PAINTING AND GET RID OF THESE CREATURES?
THERE! I'VE TOUCHED IT!
ALREADY THE SPELL STORM IS SEEPING OUT! SOON IT WILL CANCEL YOUR SPELL AND MAKE ALL THE PAINTING-CREATURES DISAPPEAR!
INCLUDING ME!
OH DEAR! I FORGOT THAT YOU WERE ONLY AN IMAGE AS WELL!
EVERYTHING IS RETURNING TO NORMAL. THE REAL HE-MAN IS LUCKY TO HAVE A FRIEND LIKE YOU, ORKO, FARE-WELL!
FAREWELL HE-MAN! THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!
I THINK I'LL USE A NORMAL BRUSH FOR THIS JOB... I'VE HAD ENOUGH MAGIC TO LAST ALL DAY!
IT DOESN'T TAKE LONG FOR HE-MAN AND THE OTHER PAINTING-CREATURES TO RETURN TO THEIR RIGHTFUL PLACE...
THEY'RE GONE!
NOW ALL I HAVE TO DO IS TOY THIS PLACE UP FOR, WHEN THE SORCERESS GETS BACK FROM HER VISIT TO LIGHT HOPE!

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The WEETABIX
ONE NIGHT IN SHERWOOD FOREST...
NOT THAT KIND OF NIGHT, STUPID
ANOTHER NIGHT IN SHERWOOD FOREST...
AND A STRANGER IS SNEAKING UP ON CRUNCH WHEN SUDDENLY...
CRACK!!
HE WAKES UP WITH A START!! (A PROPER START, OF COURSE)
ARE YOU ROBIN HOOD?
NO, I'M ROBBIN' YOUR BREAKFAST!
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